



Technology for Tomorrow

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Quarter 1 2025 Newsletter

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Welcome Message from our ACC Member/T4T Trainer



Hello and welcome to our first quarter newsletter of 2025 for Technology for Tomorrow.

During the first three months of 2025, we have set the foundation for a strong year. In March, our Board hosted our Strategic Planning meeting which discussed long-term plans and set short-term goals. Our conversations focused on how to best serve our local communities by adjusting our approach to projects, emphasizing the core values that T4T is built upon.

We have completed a number of fantastic projects, expanding our outreach to new demographics, such as the younger students of Winooski High School. Working with younger students pushed us to adapt our curricula to embrace hands-on work, and teach through action as well as instruction. We're excited for what we have accomplished over the last three months, and are excited to share more as the year progresses.

This quarter we have served 1486 learners, which helped us establish new relationships that brought T4T deeper into our communities. We're excited to share all of these new developments and more in this newsletter!

Be Well,

Wolde North, ACC Member & T4T Trainer

Quarterly Impact

Quarter 1 Metrics



As of April 1st, 2025, we have served **1,486** participants across **73** events, including workshops, webinars, and class series. These include **418** New Americans, **242** individuals seeking employment, and **382** Older Adults.

In 2024, we served more than 5,000 students across the entirety of the United States of America.

You can read about this and more in our [2024 Impact Report](#).

Partner Testimonials



Technology for Tomorrow is a longstanding partner of Associates for Training and Development (A4TD). T4T provides digital literacy instruction for participants who are enrolled in our workforce development projects. Vijay and his team are professional, respectful, and a pleasure to work with. The T4T trainers are patient and responsive to our participant's challenges and needs, and their instructional approach is welcoming, relatable, and effective. After completing a T4T class, one of our participants stated: "Class was both informative and fun...I can honestly say I was sad when the class ended. I would gladly take any class they present in the future and consider it a gift". We look forward to working with T4T on future projects.

Rick Bugbee,
Vice President of Programs, A4TD

Program & Partnership Updates



Microsoft TechSpark 2025 Ignite Series

Our TechSpark Ignite program, launched in 2024, continues to provide support to our nonprofit partners, working with under-resourced communities. So far this year, through our [TechSpark](#) partnership, we have provided 22 classes to

four nonprofit organizations: [Burlington Parent University](#), [HireAbility Vermont](#), [CVOEO](#), and [CVCOA](#) and [SVCOA](#). These classes focused on a multitude of basic digital literacy skills training both members of the community, as well as the staff of these organizations.



We are incredibly thankful to Microsoft TechSpark for helping us make this program a reality, and to our community partners for once again trusting us with the phenomenal responsibility of bridging the digital divide right here in Burlington!



AARP 2025 Tech Thursdays

Our longtime partnership with [AARP Vermont](#) is off to another great start in 2025. We offer virtual webinar classes to their members on the second and fourth Thursdays of each month. These classes provide us with the opportunity to provide AARP members across the United States with free digital literacy classes.

This quarter, our classes covered topics such as internet privacy, passwords, and Google services such as Maps, Drive, Translate, and Gmail. We're pleased to be working with such a prestigious and widespread organization as AARP, and we look forward to continuing our courses in 2025!



World Learning
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SIT World Learning Series

We have just completed phase one of a class series in partnership with [SIT World Learning](#). Over the course of February, we taught a 4-topic, 8-class series to 86 New Americans in preparation for their entrance into undergraduate programs here in the US. We covered topics such as Keyboards and Typing, Word Processors and Academic Formatting, an Introduction to AI, and Internet Privacy and Security. Each topic was taught in 2 classes; the first was presented as a lecture, and the second taking the form of a workshop.

We're incredibly thankful to have this opportunity with SIT, and to work with so many eager, curious, and hardworking students!



Mature Worker Workforce Program 2025

We are delighted to announce that we have continued our program with [Associates for Training and Development \(A4TD\)](#), and recently completed another successful training of 21 individuals across two separate cohorts. These courses are a continuation of the Mature Worker Workforce Program. We worked with learners who are just getting started, or continuing their digital literacy journey.

In our six week course, we covered topics such as scam prevention, internet and computer basics, and workplace programs like the Microsoft and Google Suites. In the final week of the program, learners participate in career workshops, where they use their expanded understanding of workplace programs to create and refine their professional documents.

We're very excited to see new and returning faces as we work with these students to define their technical abilities, and hone their skills in pursuit of new professional opportunities.



Winooski High School Series

We have been running a semester-long series of classes at [Winooski High School](#) this year. The class series are taught in collaboration with Annie Schneider, a technical instructor at the school who leads a classroom of New American students across many years of experience. Since the new year, we have taught 3 classes on Zoom Basics, Understanding Misinformation, and Account Management.



These classes will culminate in a workshop that parents, guardians, and other involved parties will be invited to attend in May. Our partnership with Winooski HS is the first T4T endeavor in public school collaboration. We have been very pleased with the results and hope to continue it into the next academic year!



Williston Parks & Recreation Senior Planet Series

We are currently partnering with the [Williston Parks and Recreation](#) department to deliver a 4-part class series to older adults in Chittenden County. This course series is focused on important basic digital literacy skills, including topics like protecting personal information, privacy management, smartphones, and MyChart.



These classes are being delivered using class materials and resources provided by [Senior Planet](#), and take place on the final Tuesday of each month until May.



Welcome to Technology for Tomorrow's Q1 newsletter! My name is Denise Medina Torrey and I am honored to have been appointed as a new member of the Board of Directors for Technology for Tomorrow. It's a joy to reflect on all that's been accomplished in just the first few months of this year. From empowering learners with essential digital skills to deepening connections within our communities, T4T

continues to make meaningful progress toward its mission of making technology lessons accessible for all.

As the Manager of the Burlington School District's Parent University Program, I had the opportunity to welcome Technology for Tomorrow into our computer literacy classes for our multilingual, multicultural community. Through this partnership, I saw firsthand that the staff and board of T4T have a true calling to ensure that no one is left behind in our increasingly digital world. Their commitment to equity, access, and empowerment shines through in every interaction. It is their steadfast commitment to these values that I was most drawn to when joining the T4T Board of Directors.

Some of the topics that most resonated with our learners included internet safety, scam recognition and using tools like Google Translate. These sessions not only helped build confidence with technology, but also offered practical, everyday knowledge that supports families.

What excites me most about being part of T4T is the shared belief that access to digital skill learning is a key that can unlock confidence, opportunity, and connection. As a new board member, I hope to help deepen our community partnerships and ensure that our programs continue to reflect the rich diversity and potential of those we serve.

I'm excited for what's ahead and grateful to be part of such a passionate and forward-thinking organization.

Thank you for being part of this journey with us!

Denise Torrey, Director

Partners and Grantors

We'd like to thank our community partners and grantors for their continued support. It is with their assistance that we are able to build foundations and help strengthen our community through bridging the digital divide.



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